

# Monthly Newsletter

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### THIS MONTH'S EVENTS

Sangha family services are offered weekly on Sundays from 9:00a.m. (exceptions appear in the schedule).  
Dates and times subject to change without notice.

<b>Fri</b> <b>7/3</b>	• <b>4th of July Holiday Observed — Office &amp; Lumbini Preschool Closed</b>
<b>Sat</b> <b>7/4</b>	• <b>Hatsubon Service for registered families</b> Speaker: Rev. Shindo Nishiyama
<b>Sun</b> <b>7/5</b>	• <b>Jikoen Bon Memorial &amp; Shotsuki Memorial Services</b> Speaker: Rev. Shindo Nishiyama
<b>Sun</b> <b>7/12</b>	• <b>Sangha Family Service</b> Speaker: Sklyer Nishiyama
<b>Wed</b> <b>7/15</b>	• <b>Living Dharma Gathering with Rev. Nishiyama</b> Time: 6:00-7:00 p.m., Location: Temple Hondo
<b>Sun</b> <b>7/19</b>	• <b>Sangha Family Service</b> Speaker: Rev. Shindo Nishiyama • <b>JBWA Monthly Meeting</b> Time: after service, Location: Temple Hondo
<b>Fri, 7/24</b> <b>thru</b> <b>Sun, 8/2</b>	• <b>Lumbini Preschool Summer Break</b>
<b>Sun</b> <b>7/26</b>	• <b>Sangha Family Service</b> Speaker: Rev. Shindo Nishiyama • <b>Board of Directors Monthly Meeting</b> Time: 10:30 a.m., Location: Temple Hondo / online via Zoom
<b>Sun</b> <b>8/2</b>	• <b>Shotsuki Memorial Services</b> Speaker: Rev. Shindo Nishiyama
<b>Mon</b> <b>8/3</b>	• <b>Lumbini's 1st Day of Preschool</b>
<b>Sun</b> <b>8/9</b>	• <b>NO SERVICE AT JIKOEN</b>

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Sat 8/15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Virtual HHMH Statewide Bon Dance (details pending)</li><li>• Drive Through Pickup Bon Memorial &amp; Mini-Chochin (see order form on page 11)</li></ul>
Sun 8/16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Osouji Temple Cleanup (no service)</li><li>• JBWA Monthly Meeting</li></ul> Time: after cleanup, Location: Temple Hondo
Sun 8/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NO SERVICE AT JIKOEN</li></ul>
Sun 8/30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NO SERVICE AT JIKOEN</li></ul>
Sun 9/6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Shotsuki Memorial Services</li></ul> Speaker: Rev. Shindo Nishiyama

### MINISTER'S MESSAGE

Rev. Shindo Nishiyama, Rimban

#### *My Experience with Racism in America*

In 1986, I came to America from Japan to study English. I lived on campus of a college in western Colorado. This was my first experience to live in America.

It was there that I experienced discrimination and racism for the first time in my life. Students yelled me. They came up to me and held their noses as if I smelled bad. They pushed me without warning. And they gave me the middle-finger regularly. I can never forget their hard and cold eyes. I can never forget what they did to me. It was some of the most painful and sad experiences in my whole life.

Racism and discrimination cause sadness and pain for everyone, not only for the victims. But the truth is that all human beings are self-centered with egos that judge and discriminate. I too, have a mind that can hurt and discriminate against others. Because I am such a person, the Dharma reminds me that I need to understand the life of others. I need to live in gratitude, respect, caring, and humility for all the blessings which sustain my life. Everything I am comes from my mind. When I understand the life, history, and uniqueness of others, I can change. When I understand that we are all different and that we are all precious, I can dispel the discrimination and racism that lives in my mind. Buddhism is for peace and harmony. Buddhism is for understanding and caring.

Buddhism is for respect and gratitude for all living things equally.

Let us stop racism. Let us stop violence. Let us start to understand and respect others. And, let us start to relieve the suffering of others. Let us listen to the voice of Buddha Dharma to live our lives with less discrimination and more respect for others. We are all living beings as we are in this unrepeatable moment.

Namo Amida Butsu

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Doris Oshiro

For these past three months, our lives have been disrupted by the Covid-19 Pandemic. Since March 23, the very start of this challenging time, Jikoen has worked with our ohana to get through this situation. Many of our events have been cancelled and we are finding new ways to keep going.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to Jikoen. We are truly grateful for the pledges and offerings and for our Jikoen Ohana who help sustain Jikoen during this difficult time.

Thank you to Rev. & Mrs. Nishiyama, teachers, staff, and volunteers. Lumbini Preschool reopened on April 1 and has remained open to serve our essential workers and community.

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Hatsubon Service will be held on Saturday, July 4 at 9:00 a.m. and Sunday Service will resume on Sunday, July 5, with limited seating and screening of all attendees.

All necessary precautions will be taken and we will utilize the guidelines provided by the Federal, State, and local agencies to keep everyone safe.

All meetings, classes, gatherings and events are cancelled through July 31. Please check the newsletter or website as we start to reopen.

After several years, our Elevator Lift permit has finally been approved. Pending no further delays, we hope to have it completed by next year.

During the past months volunteers have been working on many projects to keep us going.

We have endured great challenges in the past, always to overcome and be stronger and better. Jikoen will persevere and we will get through this together.

With our ever-changing lives, we're finding new ways to stay connected and foster community engagement in dealing with the Covid situation.

Some of you might be experiencing financial hardships. We are here if you are in need of any assistance due to unemployment, reduction in work or other related hardships due to Covid-19. Please know that it may appear challenging and at times scary but you are not alone. We are here to help you get through this time.

If you would like to schedule a columbarium (nokotsudo) visit, a bedside, funeral, or memorial service or if there's an emergency, please contact Rev. Nishiyama.

Give Jikoen a call and leave a message at 845-3422 or email [jikoen.info@gmail.com](mailto:jikoen.info@gmail.com).

### ***Living Dharma Study Gathering***

Please join us at the next session:

***Wednesday, July 15, 2020***

***6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.***

***Jikoen Hongwanji Temple Hondo***

Please join us! Limited seating available.  
Call the office at 845-3422 or email [jikoen.info@gmail.com](mailto:jikoen.info@gmail.com)

Please continue to support each other and keep in contact by sharing information via email, phone, or the postal service.

For more information, please visit our website at [www.jikoenhongwanji.org](http://www.jikoenhongwanji.org) or Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii at [www.hongwanjihawaii.com](http://www.hongwanjihawaii.com).

Please keep healthy and stay safe. We hope to see you back at Jikoen soon. Namo Amida Butsu

## **TEMPLE NEWS**

### ***Annual Monthly Memorial Services for July – September, 2020***

#### *1st Year Service (Died in 2019)*

Mr. Warren Susumu Nakasone (77) ..... July 10, 2019  
Mrs. Seiko Miyasato (99) ..... July 18, 2019  
Mrs. Tsuruko Gushikuma (100) ..... July 26, 2019  
Mr. Satoru Wakakuwa (89) ..... July 29, 2019  
Ms. Setsuko Wakakuwa (90) ..... August 6, 2019  
Mr. Thomas Takamori (83) ..... September 5, 2019  
Mrs. Haruko Kobashigawa (86) ..... September 8, 2019  
Mrs. Alice Tokuda (87) ..... September 20, 2019

#### *3rd Year Service (Died in 2018)*

Mr. Steven Muramoto (71) ..... July 4, 2018  
Mr. Ian Takashiba (40) ..... July 10, 2018  
Mr. Ronald Yoza (71) ..... July 18, 2018  
Mrs. Haruko Ohara (102) ..... July 19, 2018  
Mrs. Betty Maeshiro (92) ..... July 20, 2018  
Mr. Jerry Oshiro (83) ..... July 28, 2018  
Mrs. Rachel Arakaki (88) ..... August 20, 2018  
Mrs. Shizuko Yamashiro (98) ..... August 27, 2018  
Mr. Tomio Arakaki (89) ..... September 2, 2018  
Mr. Larry Chinen (88) ..... September 13, 2018  
Mr. Shigeru Shiroma (94) ..... September 21, 2018  
Mrs. Kayuko Tomokiyo (103) ..... September 24, 2018

#### *7th Year Service (Died in 2014)*

Mrs. Haruko Torigoe (87) ..... July 15, 2014  
Mrs. Ruby Higa (90) ..... July 15, 2014  
Mrs. Toshi Francis Miyashiro (88) ..... July 18, 2014  
Mr. Jinsho Nako (97) ..... July 20, 2014  
Mr. Shizuo Tokuda (89) ..... July 30, 2014  
Ms. Teruko Higa (93) ..... August 1, 2014  
Mrs. Mineko Tamashiro (88) ..... August 4, 2014  
Mrs. Tsuruko Senaga (86) ..... August 7, 2014

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Mr. Sunao Afuso (66)..... August 10, 2014  
Mr. James Jimmy Seishun Higa (84) .... August 14, 2014  
Mr. Joe Nakamatsu (93) ..... August 20, 2014  
Mr. Hiroshi Higa (94) ..... September 15, 2014  
Mrs. Shizue Tokuda (99) ..... September 24, 2014  
Mr. Edward Kohagura (75) ..... September 22, 2014  
Mrs. Haruye Nakamura (96) ..... September 23, 2014  
Mrs. Kameko Zukemura (100)..... September 26, 2014

13th Year Service (Died in 2008)

Mrs. Masako Higa (76) ..... July 5, 2008  
Mr. Yasunobu Uyezu (93) ..... July 6, 2008  
Mr. Makoto Nishimura (84) ..... July 8, 2008  
Mrs. Sachiko Shimabukuro (87)..... July 12, 2008  
Mr. Koichi Kaneshiro (81) ..... July 16, 2008  
Mr. Harry Kido (94) ..... July 28, 2008  
Mrs. Hideko Muranaka (88) ..... August 5, 2008  
Mr. Masaru Miyatake (84) ..... August 7, 2008  
Mr. Eizun Shimamoto (101) ..... August 25, 2008  
Mrs. Grace Makishi (92) ..... August 27, 2008  
Mrs. Carol Tanahara (62) ..... September 4, 2008  
Ms. Julia Kaneshiro (57) ..... September 7, 2008  
Mr. Ralph Nakamoto (90)..... September 14, 2008

17th Year (Died in 2004)

Mr. Yasushige Ifuku (91) ..... July 14, 2004  
Mr. Masaichi Kaneshiro (91)..... July 28, 2004  
Mrs. Elaine Kaneshiro (89) ..... July 31, 2004  
Mr. Seiju Ifuku (89) ..... August 18, 2004  
Mrs. Chiyoko Shiroma (90) ..... September 6, 2004  
Mrs. Kameko Nakaganeku (93)..... September 11, 2004

25th Year (Died in 1996)

Mrs. Kameyo Uyehara (98) ..... July 20, 1996  
Mrs. Kame Azama (93) ..... August 9, 1996  
Ms. Cynthia Chiyoko Higa (69) ..... August 14, 1996  
Mrs. Ushi Arakaki (90) ..... August 15, 1996  
Mrs. Haruo Arakaki (78) ..... August 20, 1996  
Mrs. Kame Kuba (96) ..... September 9, 1996  
Mr. Tokichi Zakahi (83)..... September 23, 1996  
Mr. Burt Higa (76)..... September 24, 1996

33rd Year (Died in 1988)

Mrs. Kamato Minei (89) ..... July 4, 1988  
Mr. Junichi Higa (74)..... July 7, 1988  
Mr. Alfred Nakachi (63) ..... July 19, 1988  
Mr. Tetsu Asato (14)..... August 1, 1988  
Mrs. Kame Kinjyo (88) ..... August 7, 1988  
Mr. Koei Yamashiro (83) ..... August 20, 1988  
Mrs. Kana Higa (91) ..... August 25, 1988

Mr. Jinsei Kaneshiro (86) ..... September 1, 1988  
Mrs. Hatsuko Unten (62)..... September 1, 1988  
Mr. Isamu Kaneshiro or Kinjo (73)... September 11, 1988  
Mr. Sosei Toyama (73) ..... September 20, 1988

50th Year (Died in 1971)

Mrs. Maka Awakuni (80) ..... July 3, 1971  
Mr. Shozen Irei (94) ..... July 6, 1971  
Mrs. Kamata Shimabukuro (82)..... August 1, 1971  
Mrs. Taru Irei (82) ..... August 29, 1971  
Mr. Hanei Nakasone (79)..... September 12, 1971  
Mrs. Uta Oshiro (83) ..... September 26, 1971

*Reflections in This Time of Great Change*

by Pieper Toyama

*Note: The following is written in the midst of a deep cry for justice and an end to racism throughout our nation.*

No matter where we are and who we are, we are all reflecting on the changes that are unfolding in our nation and reflecting on our part in helping to shape these changes into a lasting reality that is based on compassion for all, just as they are.

We are all wondering, "What can we do to make a difference? What can we do to help with the pain and anger in the hearts of the people of Minneapolis? What can we do from where we stand on an island in the Pacific 3960 miles away?"

Our first response to conflict and heartbreak is to think of rational actions we can take. We think of making donations, volunteering to help in our community, and of course, marching in solidarity with others who share our feelings of distress and compassion. We seek the "silver bullet" that will end the fear, anger, disconnect, and racism that drive one person to hurt another. We seek answers and solutions. We want to know how we can support action and real change. And it is good and necessary that we engage in these ways.

In addition to these responses that are born out of our intellect and rational mind, I also invite us all to Jodo Shinshu Buddhist responses that are simply true and sincere expressions of our hearts...expressions that move from feeling to a personal action, without intervention by our thinking minds.

Let me illustrate my invitation with a Jodo Shinshu Buddhist story of a *Myokonin*. *Myokonin* are devoted

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## **The following have been cancelled due to COVID-19...**

- **Jikoen Hongwani Bon Dance (JUL 17–JUL18)**

You will still have the opportunity to order a memorial ribbon for 2020. Please see page 11 for details.

- **Family Promise Hosting for Remainder of 2020**

Hosting for 2021 to be determined. Thank you to our volunteers and donors for your support. Your kokua to Family Promise of Hawaii has made a difference in the lives of families who have fallen onto hard times.

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followers of the Shin Buddhist teachings. The word translated means: a person whose life symbolizes the wonderful fragrance of the Dharma. They are good-hearted people who live simply. Their understanding of Buddhism is not based on scholarly learning since they were not highly literate. Their understanding and feelings for the Buddhist teachings are not tainted by the intellect. Their knowledge is derived from living humbly with sincere hearts.

### **Story:**

One day the *Myokonin* Shichisaburo, heard that the main temple was burning in the city 200 miles away. Without hesitation, he took a rug soaked with water and shook it in the direction of the burning temple. His grief and anguish stirred him to action that was offered without hesitation and deliberation, even though his water-soaked rug was not going to have any effect on the burning temple 200 miles away.

As we use our intellect to find ways to make a real difference in the real world, let us also allow ourselves to express what is in our hearts without the filter of our intellect just as the *Myokonin* Shichisaburo, waved his rug. These expressions from the heart may take the form of tears, a quiet prayer, a comforting touch, a smile, even a shaking fist. While they may not affect the events evolving on the mainland or in our island communities, at least we have allowed our hearts to speak. Even though the message from our hearts may appear to be futile in the enormity of events overtaking us, it is a message that is true and sincere. And there is a place in the universe for such messages.



## **HILITES FROM HQ NEWS UPDATES**

*(June, 2020)*

### ***Bishop's Corner***

Bishop Eric Matsumoto

### ***A Further Reflection on Our Troubled Nation from a Jodo Shinshu Perspective***

Today, further reflecting on the situation of racial discrimination and law enforcement in our nation which continue to, in some instances, involve violent acts and most tragically the continued loss of human life, may we go to the Buddha-Dharma for guidance. In Jodo Shinshu (or Shin Buddhism), the 18th Vow of Bodhisattva Dharmakara/Amida Buddha is the Primal Vow which unconditionally promises Supreme Enlightenment. But, currently, my thoughts also dwell on the significance of the 3rd Vow: "If, when I attain Buddhahood, the humans and devas in my land should not all be the color of genuine gold, may I not attain the perfect Enlightenment." Several of Bodhisattva Dharmakara's 48 vows address the stark reality of samsara with suffering and inequality that is born from anger, greed and ignorance.

In Buddhism, the approach and goal is the advancement of each unenlightened being through a transformation of each person's heart and mind culminating in the attainment of supreme enlightenment. In the case of a total and immediate transformation, the person becomes enlightened like Prince Siddhartha did to become Sakyamuni Buddha. In the case of a "spiritually foolish being" (bonbu) like myself, total positive transformation awaits at some future point. However, illuminated by Amida Buddha's Light, there results a new awareness of

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oneself and the awareness of a Wisdom and Compassion which unconditionally embraces — the Buddha's aspiration for the peace and happiness of all sentient beings. On one hand, knowing that Amida Buddha's Compassion reaches out to all nurtures within oneself the understanding that all life can be happy and at peace — thus, I can identify with those who are suffering/hurting as victims of ignorance facing inequality and discrimination. On the other hand, the Light of Wisdom allows me to relate even to those who are manifesting unwholesome actions by making me understand that if conditions were different, I might find myself in their shoes and unable to see life differently and how my actions were causing harm. If we continue to see ourselves only in the polarity of exclusive opposites, we will remain divided and it will be difficult to come to resolution. There is a saying, that the wise seek neither victory nor defeat. This is an opportunity for both personal and societal transformation through critical self-reflection and compassionate action. Buddhist teachings have always addressed suffering and inequality, from the rejection of the caste system in India, to occupational discrimination in Japan, to support of LGBTQ rights in the United States, etc.

Today, we, the people, including the Buddhist Sangha in communities across our nation and the world, are particularly addressing the suffering of Black people. Black Lives Matter! As we bring about changes to the external conditions of our society with new laws, policies, procedures and reform, it is essential that we also address the deep causes of suffering which arise from ignorance and its manifestations, including arrogance, pride, self-centeredness and fear. Let me emphasize that it is the inner transformation of each of us that will result in true harmony and the lasting positive change that we seek. Each of us must change for a true transformation of our society, nation and world. We need a transformative revolution of our hearts and minds. This is how we will dismantle systemic racism and uplift those who have been left at the margins of our society for too long. As a Buddhist saying reminds us, "Human beings tend to move in the direction of their thoughts."

However, it is indeed challenging to bring about the kind of awareness and change that we are speaking about on our own especially in this Last Dharma Age. Hence, the Pure Land Tradition speaks of Amida Buddha's Light of Wisdom and Compassion which illuminates, nurtures and embraces. For a "spiritually foolish being" like myself, my ultimate transformation takes place at the end of my finite life with birth in the Pure Land of Enlightenment

made possible by the Buddha's Compassionate 18th Vow. Guidance and insight can be derived, however, on how I should try to live each day even in my unenlightened state of being by the Pure Land of Amida Buddha. Let me state clearly the intent is not to create the Pure Land on Earth, but we can gain a vision of what we should aspire to now and forever. The 3rd Vow addresses our tendency to discriminate based on skin color — racism — thus vows that all in the Pure Land will be of the same precious golden color. The color gold is not to be taken literally and is not implying that other colors are of lesser importance. Instead, the significance of gold is that almost universally it is appreciated and valued throughout the world as being very precious. I fully realize that this "spiritually foolish being," Eric, is unable to live perfectly, but the Vows provide me with guidance on how I should try to live, that is, without discriminating, and in ways that help secure respect and equality for all. The Buddha-Dharma provides guidance, insight and encouragement.

As Shinran Shonin said in one of his letters, "One must seek to cast off the evil of this world and to cease doing wretched deeds; this is what it means to reject the world and to live the nembutsu." Let us deeply self-reflect and, while lamenting our imperfections and deeply appreciating Great Compassion which unconditionally embraces, gratefully respond by trying to live in a way that one and all — but especially the disadvantaged and those who have been denied fair access to happiness without fear, equal benefits and opportunities, and freedom — can live fulfilled lives.

In recognizing that "Black Lives Matter," may we address the real enemies of anger, greed and ignorance (the root causes of suffering and inequality) and peacefully and thoughtfully transform the conditions which perpetuate suffering, inequality and the use of excessive force against the marginalized and minorities. Again, in grateful response to All-Inclusive Wisdom and All-Embracing Compassion, let us find ways we can contribute to be(com)ing a more peaceful, equitable, and harmonious world. Let us each ask ourselves "What can I do?"

As a closing reflection, please join me for "Our Pledge" by Gomonshu Kojun Ohtani.

Reaching out to others,  
I will share a smile and gentle words.  
Just like the Buddha, who always calls out with  
Aloha.

Breaking away from my greed, anger and ignorance,

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I will try to live in peace and harmony.  
Just like the Buddha, who shares tranquility and kindness with all.

Moving forward from self-centeredness,  
I will share a life of joy and sorrow with others.  
Just like the Buddha, whose caring heart always embraces us.

Realizing that I live because of others,  
I will strive to live life to the fullest with an attitude of gratitude.  
Just like the Buddha, who promises to embrace us all.

Namo Amida Butsu/Entrusting in All-Inclusive Wisdom and All-Embracing Compassion

Thank you. *In gassho/anjali*,

*Rev. Eric Matsumoto, Bishop*

### ***Bishop's Premiere of Bon Service for Hawaii July 11–12, 2020***

- **July 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. (HST)**
- **July 12, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. (HST)**
- **YouTube:** [Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii](https://www.youtube.com/HonpaHongwanjiMissionofHawaii)
- *Presented by Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii Office of the Bishop State Ministers Association New Expressions Committee Monshinto Task Force*

*Bon Service for Hawaii* is an online “virtual” service dedicated with deep gratitude and appreciation in the memory of dearly departed sangha members and friends of the Hongwanji Temples in the State of Hawaii.

*Bon Service for Hawaii* will premiere on Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii’s YouTube Channel on Saturday, July 11 at 7:00 p.m. (HST) and Sunday July 12 at 10:00 a.m. (HST).

Sangha members and friends of Hongwanji Hawaii temples that will host in-person and/or online Bon Service are encouraged to attend or view the service of their Temple, and watch Bon Service for Hawaii at their convenience.

Sangha members and friends of Hongwanji Hawaii temples that are unable to host in-person and/or online Bon Service are encouraged to view the evening or morning premiere of Bon Service for Hawaii.

During these most extraordinary of circumstances, one important thing we can do this Obon is to take a moment to remember our departed loved ones, to reflect upon their continued influence on our lives, and to rededicate ourselves to living this unrepeatable life in honor of their memory.

Illuminated by Amida’s All-Inclusive Light of Wisdom and embraced by Amida’s All-Encompassing Compassion, let us put our hands together in *gasshō anjali*, and say Namō Amida Butsu in joy and gratitude.

For more information about the 2020 Bon Service for Hawaii, please contact the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii Headquarters at [hqs@honpahi.org](mailto:hqs@honpahi.org) or (808) 522-9200.

Bon Service donations may be made directly to your local temple, Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii, Pacific Buddhist Academy, or affiliated organizations, as you prefer. If you would like to make a Bon Service donation online using any major credit/debit card, please visit [HongwanjiHawaii.com/donate](https://www.hongwanjihawaii.com/donate) and click the links for the organization to which you’d like to make a donation.

- Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii Hawaii District Temples
- Honolulu District Temples
- Kauai District Temples
- Maui District Temples
- Oahu District Temples
- Pacific Buddhist Academy
- Buddhist Study Center
- Federation of Buddhist Women’s Associations

### ***Kahuku Hongwanji Scholarship***

The Kahuku Hongwanji Mission closed its doors in February 2013 after serving its membership for 111 years. To maintain the legacy of the Kahuku Hongwanji Mission and to develop the future generations of the Hongwanji, Kahuku Hongwanji Mission established a scholarship to support students at the college level.

#### **Eligibility:**

- The applicant must be a member of the BSC Fellowship Club or an active member of a Hawaii Kyodan organization.
- The applicant must be a full-time student of an accredited college, university, or a post-high

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## SHOTSUKI JOYOUS MONTHLY MEMORIAL SERVICE

*Shotsuki Monthly Service* is a time to remember our loved ones and a time to express gratitude in Gassho. This memorial service will be held on the first Sunday of each month at 9:00am, in memory of those whose date of death falls in that month. We also recognize the efforts of those who have passed before us and thank them for their continuing influence in our lives and for giving us the opportunity to share the Dharma.

*Here are our loved ones who will be remembered on Sunday, July 5, 2020:*

Francis T. Arata ~ July 22, 1997 (89)  
 Agnes Tsugiyu Asato ~ July 30, 2009 (95)  
 Maka Awakuni ~ July 3, 1971 (80)  
 Tsuruko Gushikuma ~ July 26, 2019 (89)  
 Shintoku Hamadon ~ July 1, 1999 (69)  
 Jinichi Higa ~ July 7, 1988 (74)  
 Haruko Miyasato Higa ~ July 11, 2009 (96)  
 Kameko Higa ~ July 31, 1999 (90)  
 Kamatoku Higa ~ July 23, 2003 (99)  
 Masako Higa ~ July 5, 2014 (76)  
 Robert Jenko Higa ~ July 15, 2012 (84)  
 Ruby Fumie Higa ~ July 15, 2014 (90)  
 Nae Higashionna ~ July 2, 2011 (95)  
 Yasushige Ifuku ~ July 14, 2004 (91)  
 Shozen Irei ~ July 6, 1971 (94)  
 Robert Takeo Isa ~ July 2, 2016 (98)  
 Elaine Kaneshiro ~ July 31, 2004 (89)  
 Koichi Kaneshiro ~ July 16, 2008 (81)  
 Masaichi Kaneshiro ~ July 28, 2004 (91)  
 Otsuru Kaneshiro ~ July 6, 2012 (101)  
 Seichi Kenneth Kaneshiro ~ July 23, 2007 (83)  
 Albert Hajime Kawabata ~ July 6, 2016 (74)  
 Harry Kido ~ July 28, 2009 (94)  
 Sadako "Sadie" Kinoshita ~ July 26, 2012 (94)  
 Kazue Ella Kipi ~ July 31, 2003 (83)  
 Dennis Kiyuna ~ July 31, 1995 (50)  
 Hanami Kohatsu ~ July 23, 2017 (86)  
 Byron Tetsuo Kuwana ~ July 15, 2000 (45)  
 Betty Maeshiro ~ July 20, 2018 (92)  
 Kamato Minei ~ July 4, 1988 (89)  
 Riyosuke Miyahara ~ July 18, 2007 (91)  
 Karen Yukie Miyasato ~ July 25, 2017 (87)  
 Seiko Miyasato ~ July 18, 2019 (99)  
 Toshi "Frances" Miyashiro ~ July 18, 2014 (88)  
 Steven Kunio Muramoto ~ July 4, 2018 (71)  
 Alfred Nakachi ~ July 19, 1988 (63)  
 Harold Yoshimitsu Nakamura ~ July 20, 2017 (68)  
 Hideki Nakamura ~ July 28, 2012 (90)  
 Mrs. Usa Nakamura ~ July 7, 1999 (97)  
 Glenn Jitsuo Nakasone ~ July 8, 2013 (64)

Kame Yoshiko Nakasone ~ July 10, 1999 (91)  
 Warren Susumu Nakasone ~ July 10, 2019 (77)  
 Wayne Take Nakasone ~ July 14, 2009 (56)  
 Jinsho Nako ~ July 20, 2014 (97)  
 Makoto Nishimura ~ July 8, 2008 (84)  
 Ryoko Makisan Norris ~ July 6, 2013 (82)  
 Haruko Ohara ~ July 19, 2018 (102)  
 Marian S. Okimoto ~ July 20, 2004 (86)  
 Leslie Toshimichi Onaga ~ July 18, 2013 (55)  
 Takeyei Onaga ~ July 21, 2016 (91)  
 Kiyoshi Okuhara ~ July 24, 2009 (92)  
 Jerry Oshiro ~ July 28, 2018 (83)  
 Kame Oshiro ~ July 20, 2000 (100)  
 Mitsuo Oshiro ~ July 25, 2003 (95)  
 Nancy Natsue Oshiro ~ July 18, 2016 (82)  
 Jane Fumie Sakima ~ July 26, 2016 (92)  
 Matsui Shimabukuro ~ July 24, 1995 (94)  
 Sachiko Shimabukuro ~ July 12, 2008 (87)  
 Takeichi Shimabukuro ~ July 12, 1998 (83)  
 Yoshiko Yoza Shimabukuro ~ July 17, 2013 (99)  
 Ohide Shimamoto ~ July 9, 2003 (91)  
 Alan Genichi Shinsato ~ July 12, 2003 (48)  
 Omito Shinsato ~ July 7, 1998 (97)  
 Ian Takashiba ~ July 10, 2018 (40)  
 Mito Tamashiro ~ July 14, 2003 (91)  
 Edward Chiyotoku Takara ~ July 26, 2000 (64)  
 Albert Takeo Teruya ~ July 21, 2002 (89)  
 Sachiko Teruya ~ July 7, 2017 (94)  
 Wallace Teruya ~ July 13, 2005 (90)  
 Shizuo "Billy" Tokuda ~ July 30, 2014 (89)  
 Haruko Torigoe ~ July 15, 2014 (87)  
 Senji Ueunten ~ July 31, 2003 (79)  
 Yasuo Uezu ~ July 20, 2011 (91)  
 Kameyo Uyehara ~ July 20, 1996 (98)  
 Yasunobu Uyezu ~ July 6, 2008 (93)  
 Ellicy Shizue Wakabayashi ~ July 13, 1995 (72)  
 Satoru Wakakuwa ~ July 29, 2019 (89)  
 Bernice Kiyoko Yamane ~ July 9, 2015 (82)  
 Nancy Y. Yamauchi ~ July 4, 2017 (100)  
 Lincoln Masato Yoshimitsu ~ July 26, 2012 (89)  
 Chiyoko Yoza ~ July 2, 2015 (93)  
 Ronald Jiro Yoza ~ July 18, 2018 (71)

*Here are our loved ones who will be remembered on Sunday, August 2, 2020:*

Sunao Afuso ~ August 10, 2014 (86)  
 Haruo Arakaki ~ August 20, 1996 (78)  
 Rachel Tamae Arakaki ~ August 20, 2018 (88)  
 Ushi Arakaki ~ August 15, 1996 (90)

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Katherine Asato ~ August 13, 2015 (89)  
 Tetsu Asato ~ August 1, 1988 (14)  
 Kame Azama ~ August 9, 1996 (93)  
 Shizuko Azama ~ August 2, 1995 (84)  
 Masajiro Macky Gima ~ August 15, 2013 (90)  
 Maka Goya ~ August 14, 1999 (98)  
 Tsuruyo Hashiba ~ August 17, 1995 (86)  
 Cynthia Chiyoko Higa ~ August 14, 1996 (69)  
 James Seishun Higa ~ August 14, 2014 (84)  
 Kana Higa ~ August 25, 1988 (91)  
 Teruko Higa ~ August 1, 2014 (93)  
 Tom Takeyoshi Higa ~ August 18, 2005 (77)  
 Seiju Ifuku ~ August 18, 2004 (89)  
 Taru Irei ~ August 29, 1971 (92)  
 Nancy Yoshiko Kamemoto ~ August 2, 2003 (71)  
 Ethel Chieko Kaneshiro ~ August 30, 1998 (66)  
 Kenneth Kosho Kaneshiro ~ August 12, 1995 (57)  
 Roy Yasuo Kaneshiro ~ August 21, 2016 (96)  
 Tsuneo Kaneshiro ~ August 31, 2002 (80)  
 Nobuyuki Kawabata ~ August 18, 2007 (88)  
 Kenko Kina ~ August 8, 2015 (90)  
 Kame Kinjo ~ August 7, 1988 (88)  
 Satoru Kudaishi ~ August 1, 1999 (77)  
 Toshiharu James Kuniyuki ~ August 20, 2000 (83)  
 Grant Sukehito Kushi ~ August 21, 2006 (49)  
 Grace Makishi ~ August 27, 2008 (92)  
 Mitsunobu Miyahira ~ August 3, 2000 (81)  
 Keith Ken Miyashiro ~ August 21, 1999 (49)

Masaru Miyatake ~ August 7, 2008 (84)  
 Hideko Muranaka ~ August 5, 2008 (88)  
 Joe Nakamatsu ~ August 20, 2014 (93)  
 Thelma C. Nakamasu ~ August 9, 2002 (88)  
 Jonalyn Mieke Nakamoto ~ August 25, 2002 (21)  
 Jason Yukio Oka ~ August 20, 2014 (43)  
 Roy Katsuaki Oshiro ~ August 22, 2007 (64)  
 Hiroko Sakihara ~ August 4, 2012 (94)  
 Tsuruko Senaga ~ August 7, 2014 (86)  
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 Eizun Shimamoto ~ August 25, 2008 (101)  
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 Mineko Tamashiro ~ August 4, 2014 (88)  
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 Setsuko Wakukawa ~ August 6, 2019 (90)  
 Doris Sachiye Wauke ~ August 9, 2016 (85)  
 Jacob Shigeo Wauke ~ August 30, 2016 (88)  
 Yukiko Yahiku ~ August 28, 2017 (96)  
 Koei Yamashiro ~ August 20, 1988 (83)  
 Shizuko Yamashiro ~ August 28, 2018 (98)  
 Richard Seichi Yogi ~ August 22, 2012 (70)  
 Aran Taro Yoza ~ August 5, 2012 (96)

*Namu Amida Butsu*

If you would like to honor your loved one, please call the office at 845-3422 or email to [jikoen.info@gmail.com](mailto:jikoen.info@gmail.com).

## DONATIONS FROM FEBRUARY 19, 2020 THRU JUNE 11, 2020

### *Social Concerns (\$1 - \$100)*

[REDACTED]

### *Eshinni/Kakushinni Day (\$1 - \$99)*

[REDACTED]

### *Hoonko Service (\$1 - \$99)*

[REDACTED]

### *Hanamatsuri (\$1 - \$99)*

[REDACTED]

### *O'Higan Service (\$1 - \$99)*

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

### *O'Higan Service (\$100 - \$199)*

[REDACTED]

### *New Year's 2020 (\$1 - \$99)*

[REDACTED]

### *BBQ Chicken Fundraiser (\$1 - \$99)*

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

### *BBQ Chicken Fundraiser (\$100 - \$299)*

[REDACTED]

### *Bazaar Fundraiser (\$1 - \$99)*

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

*Bazaar Fundraiser (\$100 - \$299)*

[REDACTED]

*Shuri-Jo Fund (\$1 - \$99)*

[REDACTED]

*Shuri-Jo Fund (\$100 - \$299)*

[REDACTED]

*Shuri-Jo Fund (\$1,000 - \$1,099)*

[REDACTED]

NOTE: All of your donations for the Shuri-Jo has been sent to HUOA

*General Operation (\$1 - \$99)*

[REDACTED]

*General Operation (\$100 - \$399)*

[REDACTED]

*Sangha Project (\$1 - \$99)*

[REDACTED]

*Sangha Project (\$100 - \$399)*

[REDACTED]

*Sangha Project (\$400 - \$599)*

[REDACTED]

*Miscellaneous (\$1 - \$99)*

[REDACTED]

*Miscellaneous (\$100 - \$399)*

[REDACTED]

*Miscellaneous (\$400 - \$599)*

[REDACTED]

*Offertory*

2/16/2020 .....\$132  
2/23/2020 .....\$135  
3/1/2020 .....\$164  
3/8/2020 .....\$154  
3/16/2020 .....\$155  
4/29/2020 .....\$200

6/4/2020 .....\$50

Due to the Covid-19 pan.demic, we had to close the temple and had very low enrollment at Lumbini Preschool. We were so fortunate that Jikoen members and friends generously sent in donations to help with the many expenses that needed to be paid. We decided to call these donations "Hands & Hearts Together In Gassho":

*(\$1 - \$299)*

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

*(\$300 - \$499)*

[REDACTED]

*(\$1,000 - \$1,499)*

[REDACTED]

Thank you for your generous support!  
有難うございます

Jikoen Hongwanji Mission, recently received a quarterly donation of **\$61.73** thanks to customers shopping at [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com).

To date, AmazonSmile has donated a total of **\$861.58** (as of May 27, 2020)

Thank you for supporting us!





**Jikoen Hongwanji Mission**  
1731 N. School Street, Honolulu, HI 96819

July 1, 2020

Dear Jikoen Ohana,

As we celebrate the Obon season, we take this time to remember our loved ones. We are giving families the opportunity to purchase a Memorial Ribbon & Mini-Chochin Set to honor a departed loved one(s).

Drive through pick up date will be on Saturday, August 15 from 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. It will be available on a limited, first come, first-served basis so please be sure to mail in your form by Friday, July 17, 2020.



Please mail your completed order form(s) and a "Memorial Ribbon Donation" of \$20.00 for each set with your check payable to Jikoen Hongwanji. For more information, please contact the office at 845-3422 or email [jikoeninfo@gmail.com](mailto:jikoeninfo@gmail.com)

In Gassho,

Rev. Shindo Nishiyama, Resident Minister

### 2020 OBON MEMORIAL RIBBON & MINI-CHOCHIN SET Order Form

**Please PRINT clearly.** Mail order form and \$20.00 donation for each set to Jikoen by **JULY 17, 2020**. Please follow the character limits below. If you go over the limit, it will result in either a portion of the name being cut off or the name being printed very small. Your kokua is greatly appreciated! Thank you!

**In Memory of**

**First Name(s)** (Please limit to 15 characters only):

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**Last Name(s)** (Please limit to 15 characters only):

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**Donated by** (Please limit to 30 characters only)


Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/St./Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check payable to: **Jikoen Hongwanji 1731 N. School St. Honolulu HI 96819**

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school program in the State of Hawaii, and earn a minimum of 12 college credits per semester.

- The applicant must have a required minimum college GPA of 2.5.
- The applicant must be of college age up to 35 years old.
- The applicant must submit the application form with an essay on “Dharma and My Life.”

**Application Deadline: July 31, 2020**

**Scholarship Amount: \$2,000.00 each (two recipients)**

For more information of this scholarship, please contact the HHMH Headquarters at (808) 522-9200 or email at [hqs@honpahi.org](mailto:hqs@honpahi.org).

### ***COVID-19 Communications & Resources on HHMH Website***

The Office of the Bishop has issued a series of memos (1-8) to provide directives and recommendations regarding temple activities and procedures during the COVID-19

outbreak. The latest memo was issued on June 2, 2020 when the four counties have made allowances for “Places of Worship” to reopen, subject to restrictions and requirements for safety. These memos are also available in the following page of our Hawaii Kyodan Website:

<https://hongwanjihawaii.com/blog/2020/03/13/covid19/>

This page includes additional important resources which would be helpful to temples, affiliates, and individual members. You can check it periodically to see if there are resources that can help you.

### ***Messages Available on the HHMH Website***

- **A reflection on our troubled nation (June 1, 2020):** <https://hongwanjihawaii.com/message/a-reflection-on-our-troubled-nation-bishop-matsumoto-060120/>
- **2020 Memorial Day message from Bishop Eric Matsumoto (May 25, 2020):** <https://hongwanjihawaii.com/message/2020-memorial-day-message-bishop-matsumoto/>
- **Bishop Matsumoto’s Video Messages:** <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL5p2UQ0W-gN4Up41QotZr6OsqcnoYVjE>

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